

REMARKS

This response addresses the Advisory Action dated July 3, 2001. Claims 1-20 are pending in the application and are subject to rejection.

The Advisory Action incorrectly asserts that Ronen et al. renders obvious the limitations of Applicant's invention without providing any reference to the Ronen patent for support of its assertions. The Advisory Action directs the Applicant to see the Final Office Action Mailed on 3/13/2001. Applicant traverses the Advisory Action's assertions. Moreover, as clearly illustrated in Applicant's response of June 18, 2001, the Final Office Action is clearly defective for failing to address the Applicant's arguments originally filed in Applicant's December 13, 2000 Amendment and Response.

The Final Office Action simply states, in response to Applicant's 26 page amendment and response dated December 13, 2000, that "Applicant's arguments with respect to the amended claims have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection. The amended claims have been incorporated in the rejected claims above." Section 707.07 et. seq. of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure clearly indicates that such a general refusal of Applicant's arguments is clearly inappropriate. When using form paragraph 7.38, "The examiner must, however, address any arguments presented by the Applicants which are still relevant to any references being applied." (emphasis added) The Ronen reference is clearly reapplied by the Office in the rejection of the same claims, and therefore, the Applicant's arguments must be addressed. In fact the same rejections are reapplied verbatim from the

September 13, 2001 without addressing Applicant's clearly applicable arguments as to the unobviousness and novelty of Applicant's claims.

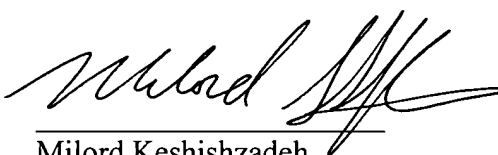
Accordingly, Applicant's respectfully request that the Office comply with MPEP 707.07 et. seq. and address Applicant's previously filed arguments in detail.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully submitted that the case is now in condition for allowance, and an early notification of the same is requested. If it is believed that a telephone interview will help further the prosecution of this case, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be contacted at the listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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